

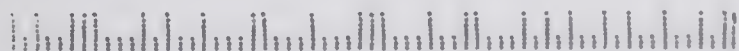
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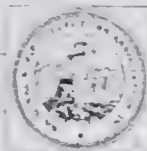


National Scrip Collectors Association

The **National Scrip Collectors Association** was officially organized on October 21, 1972 in Fayetteville WV. The objectives and purposes of the organization are to promote the collection of coal company scrip and related tokens, to cultivate good relations between collectors of scrip tokens, and to encourage the study and research of the history of coal mining companies as it relates to the usage of scrip tokens.

In the late 1970's the scope of the **NCSA** was broadened to include tokens from other industries: including lumber, phosphate, hard rock, limestone, copper, gold & silver, brick & clay, cotton & textile, paper, iron & steel, agricultural, and others.

The first issue of *Scrip Talk* was published in 1965, and it continues today as the official newsletter for members of the **NSCA**. It exists not only as a source of information for its members, but as a forum where they can share items of interest. Please feel free to submit or suggest articles for future publication.



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President's Letter

Bluefield here we come! The Spring Meeting of the NSCA is right around the corner. On Friday, May 4, 2007, and Saturday, May 5, 2007, the NSCA will hold it's Spring Meeting at the Holiday Inn in Bluefield, West Virginia (just over the Virginia line and just off I-77), hosted by that old reprobate, Harold "Corky" Snodgrass.

"Corky" tells me that he will open up the "trading room" off the lobby after lunch on Friday, and we'll be open there through the afternoon and evening. "Corky" is the man to talk to if you have any needs during the show, or any issues with the hotel or accommodations. Seek him out if you need help with anything.

At 3:00 p.m. on Friday, there will be a Board of Directors meeting, and any member with ideas or suggestions for the club is welcome to attend and share them with the Board. We are particularly interested in ideas and volunteers to work on publications.

Speaking of publications, I need to make a clarification, or apology, concerning a remark I made several months ago concerning David Schenkman in a comprehensive new major work on scrip, where I implied that David was about ready to publish. Schenkman is no where near ready with the work, and I knew that. I intended to say that one of our most respected members is at work on a wonderful project that will be published in the future, and those familiar with David's other books know the sort of quality to expect, but this one is a ways off, as yet. We all want to encourage Schenkman, but not pressure him.

At 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening, the NSCA banquet will be held in the Holiday Inn Dining Room with lots of Mountaineer prizes being gathered by Doug Tolley. Let me mention that the past two dinner meetings have produced larger crowds than in past years, and it is very difficult for our host restaurant to accurately plan for us if we cannot give them an accurate number of folks to prepare for. Please be sure to pick up the phone and call the Holiday Inn and give them your name, even if you will not be an overnight guest with the hotel. Remember, we – NSCA – must guarantee the hotel a minimum number (and pay for that minimum if we fall short), so please give us a hand. The hotel will have breakfast available, and we will have trading from 9:00 a.m. 'til 3:00 p.m., or perhaps later.

One more thing – Please pick up the phone and invite that new scrip collector you met the other day to come to Bluefield with you. We need that new blood!

See ya in the Mountaineer State!

Steve Cawood

MINING COLLECTION FOR SELL OR TRADE

AFTER 30 YEARS OF COLLECTING I AM SELLING MY COAL MINING COLLECTIABLES FROM ILLINOIS, KENTUCKY, TENNESSEE, WEST VIRGINIA, ALABAMA.

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JACK CHAPMAN'S THIRTY-DAY SCRIP AUCTION

Starting Date 5/1/07

Ending Date 6/1/07

Lot #	Scrip #	Company and Town	R rating	Condition	Min. bid
1	KY 1503-A5	Pioneer Coal Company - 1911 (Kettle Island, KY)	R-9	fine	\$65.00
2	KY 1897-G5	Hignite Coal Company, Middlesboro, KY	R-10	fine	\$65.00
3	KY 3059-D5	North Jellico Coal -- 1888 (Wilton, KY)(Pictorial Pick & Shovel)	R-9	fine	\$65.00
4	KY 151-B10	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY) 01	R-7	fine	\$35.00
5	KY 151-C5	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY) 02	R-7	fine	\$25.00
6	KY 151-B1a	Fordson Coal Co. (Banner Fork, KY)	R-4	fine	\$8.00
7	KY 1605-J100	Home Supply Company, LeJunior, KY	R-8	fine	\$25.00
8	KY 1605-J10	Home Supply Company, LeJunior, KY	R-6	fine	\$10.00
9	KY 1605-J5	Home Supply Company, LeJunior, KY	R-6	fine	\$10.00
10	KY 2119	Olive Hill Fire Brick Co., Inc., Olive Hill, KY (Brass)	U/L	fine	\$100.00
11	KY 975-C100	Harlan Co-Operative Coal Co. (Evarts, KY)	R-8	good	\$25.00
12	KY 837-C100	Louisville-Atlanta Coal Co. (Drakesboro, KY)	R-7	very fine	\$35.00
13	KY 837-C50	Louisville-Atlanta Coal Co. (Drakesboro, KY)	R-8	very fine	\$35.00
14	KY 837-C25	Louisville-Atlanta Coal Co. (Drakesboro, KY)	R-8	very fine	\$35.00
15	KY 2929-D10	The Good Coal Co., Wallins, KY (Double-Stamped) 02	R-8	very good	\$25.00
16	KY 2929-F1	The Good Coal Co., Wallins, KY	R-7	very good	\$15.00
17	KY 1223-A25	The Hardy-Burlingham Mining Co. (Hardburly, KY)	R-10	very good	\$100.00
18	KY 1433-A10	The Kenmont Coal Co., Jeff, KY	R-9	good	\$35.00
19	KY 2769-A10	Indian Head Mining Co., Inc., Tesley, KY	R-9	good	\$35.00
20	KY 811-B10	Himyar Coal Co., Domino, KY	R-10	good	\$50.00
21	KY 335-A100	Crawford Coal Corp.'n (Bonnyman, KY)	R-9	very good	\$40.00
22	KY Merchant 1.00	A.D. Campbell & Son, Yerkes, KY	U/L	fine	\$15.00
23	KY Merchant .10	A.D. Campbell & Son, Yerkes, KY	U/L	fine	\$15.00
24	KY 1683-E500	Cornett-Lewis Coal Co., Louellen, KY	R-7	very fine	\$15.00
25	KY 2541-A100	Scuddy Coal Company, Inc., Scuddy, KY	R-10	good	\$45.00
26	KY 2541-A25	Scuddy Coal Company, Inc., Scuddy, KY	R-9	good	\$35.00
27	KY 2541-A10	Scuddy Coal Company, Inc., Scuddy, KY	R-9	very good	\$35.00
28	KY 213-A25	Shearn Coal Co., Incorporated, Belton, KY	R-7	very good	\$10.00
29	KY 213-A10a	Shearn Coal Co., Incorporated, Belton, KY	R-6	very good	\$10.00
30	KY 213-C10	Shearn Coal Co., Incorporated, Belton, KY	R-7	good	\$10.00
31	KY 213-C5	Shearn Coal Co., Incorporated, Belton, KY	R-7	good	\$10.00
32	KY 213-E1	Shearn Coal Co., Incorporated, Belton, KY	R-7	very good	\$10.00
33	KY 1897-L10	Garmeda Coal Co., Inc., Middlesboro, KY	R-6	fine	\$10.00
34	KY 1897-L5	Garmeda Coal Co., Inc., Middlesboro, KY	R-5	fine	\$8.00
35	KY 1919-A25	Wallsend Mercantile Co. (Mine Station, KY)	R-5	fine	\$8.00
36	KY 1919-A5	Wallsend Mercantile Co. (Mine Station, KY)	R-7	fine	\$10.00
37	KY 1423-B100a	Jackson Fourseam Mining Co., Jackson, KY	R-8	fine	\$25.00
38	KY 1423-B10	Jackson Fourseam Mining Co., Jackson, KY	R-9	fine	\$25.00
39	KY 1737-L100	Stevens Coal Company, Madisonville, KY	R-10	very good	\$45.00
40	KY 865-A5	West Kentucky Coal Co. (Earlington, KY) (Bi-Metal)	R-7	very fine	\$20.00
41	KY 2861-B10	Highland Creek Coal Co., Uniontown, KY	U/L	good	\$45.00
42	KY 193-F500	Kirk Mercantile Company, Beech Creek, KY	R-7	mint	\$15.00
43	KY 1701-A500	W.G. Duncan Coal Co., Luzerne, KY	R-7	very fine	\$15.00
44	KY 267-C100	Major Elkhorn Coal Co., Big Shoal, KY	R-9	very fine	\$35.00
45	KY 1835-A100	Allburn Coal Corporation (McCarr, KY)	R-10	good	\$45.00

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Scrip and invoice will be mailed to [redacted] Payment must be sent by return mail.

It's Here!! NSCA Spring Scrip Show

May 4 & 5, 2007

Bluefield, WV

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Buy—Sell—Trade
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Corkey Snodgrass 304/253-5446

Room Reservations

Holiday Inn
Bluefield, WV
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Can You Help?

I am trying to find anyone who has information about a tiny china doll that company store owners gave to miners when they received their scrip as payment, for their little daughters, and candy for the boys. This practice was supposed to have occurred in the Cabin Creek area, and others, from 1902 to 1924. Ours is labeled as an Edna Henderson Doll, called the Penny Doll. I would appreciate any information relative to this. Thank you, Cheryl Norris jnorcsgo@verizon.net



Welcome new member: **Eric Miller**

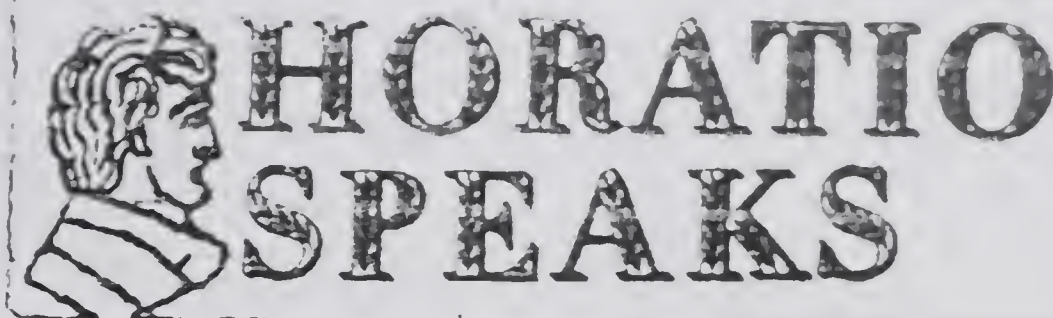


Eric comes by his interest in scrip through the family tree—his great-great grandfather worked at the Ajax Coal Company in Bulan, KY, and his great grandfather was at the Darb Fork Coal Company in Perry County. Grandpa Charlie is an NSCA member. Welcome, Eric!

From the **SCRIP TALK** Archives

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Reprinted from The Journal of the Civil War Token Society, vol 11, #2, David Schenkman, Editor
What collectors were talking about 30 years ago! [A little fuzzy, but worth it.]



The Pendulum Is Swinging

A number of years ago when I was involved in the establishment of a local token and medal collectors club, one participant in our opening session — a coin dealer — explained his motivation for assisting our efforts. "Token collectors as they progress will move up to becoming coin collectors" he proclaimed. Looking around the room that evening I had to chuckle, because virtually every person there either was or had been an active coin collector. Since that event my observation has been that many coin collectors as they have progressed, have "moved up" to become avid token collectors. The reasons underlying this phenomenon are many and varied, but three interrelated and significant trends appear to have been at work.

First, many coin collectors have become disillusioned with coin collecting as a hobby. Among the factors which have contributed to this disillusionment are the following:

- Opportunities to buy coins at significantly less than going market prices have been greatly reduced by the widespread dissemination of comprehensive catalogues on U.S. and more recently on foreign coins.
- One's hobby bread does not go nearly as far as it used to in purchasing coins because of the general upward movement of coin prices in recent years — especially of higher grade material.
- Increasingly when bidding for some high priced rarity, the coin collector has found himself competing not with other hobbyists, but rather with speculators whose primary focus appears to be "short term investment potential". The maneuvers of these quick buck artists have tended to sap the hobby of coin collecting of many of its basic and essential non-financial rewards.
- U.S. coin collectors have become increasingly aware of the shabby history associated with many of the U.S. "glamour" rarities due to the unprecedented frankness of numerous authors of recent books and articles. This airing of the dirty linen with respect to past shenanigans — that occurred both inside and outside the U.S. Mint has done much to diminish the image of authenticity and hence the desirability of possessing such rarities in the minds of many collectors. Nevertheless, and in large part to the heightened publicity given some of these rarities, modern day P.T. Barnum's have driven their prices to record levels.
- Recent substantial increases in the price charged for proof sets by the U.S. Mint have angered many coin collectors. The PR statements made by some Mint officials in defense of these price increases seem only to have fanned this anger.

Second, inflation during the last few years has taken heavy toll of the hobby funds of many coin collectors as more essential expenditures have commanded a higher proportion of their total incomes. This shrinkage of hobby funds coupled with rising coin prices has greatly extended the time period over which a collector can hope to "complete" a coin series.

Third, during the 1970s growing distrust by U.S. citizens of the federal government and its official activities — which culminated in the stigma of Watergate — has tainted virtually all things official, including U.S. coins.

While these trends certainly do not portend the total demise of coin collecting as a hobby, they do indicate the very real need within the coin collecting fraternity for alternative channels of endeavor. How tokens and medals, and particularly Civil War tokens, can serve as such alternative channels will be one topic of future columns.

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The Appalachian Scrip & Token Association welcomes everyone to another Buy, Sell and Trade Show at Perry Memorial United Methodist Church in Shady Spring, WV, on June 16, 2007, from 9am to 2pm.

Refreshments Provided Everyone Welcome

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